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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: VIOLENCE REPORTED IN DERA ISMAIL KHAN, NWFP

1. PAK PRESS TODAY REPORTED JANUARY 9 CLASH IN DERA ISMAIL KHAN. ACCORDING TO GOVERNMENT PRESS NOTE, SIX DIED AND SEVEN WERE INJURED IN A CLASH BETWEEN RIVAL GROUPS QUARRELLING OVER LAND AND WATER RIGHTS; SEVERAL HAVE BEEN ARRESTED. THE ADP ACCOUNT STATES THAT THE SITUATION IS AGAIN NORMAL.

2. URDU DAILY NAWA-I-WAQT, IN A FRONT-PAGE STORY FILED BY ITS OWN LOCAL CORRESPONDENT, RELATES THAT SEVEN PERSONS DIED AND NINETEEN WERE SERIOUSLY INJURED IN WHAT THE PAPER TERMED A CLASH BETWEEN TWO RIVAL PPP GROUPS IN D.I. KHAN SHORTLY BEFORE THE ARRIVAL THERE OF NWFP CHIEF MINISTER NASRULLAH KHATTAK AND FEDERAL MINISTER MAULANA KAUSAR NIAZI. ACCORDING TO NAWA-I-WAQT, THOSE ARRESTED INCLUDED FORMER NWFP CHIEF MINISTER INAYATULLAH KHAN GANDAPUR. THE DEAD REPORTEDLY INCLUDED A LOCAL PPP LEADER.

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3. REFERENCE IN VOA BROADCAST THIS MORNING TO D.I. KHAN AS HOME OF NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OPPOSITION LEADER MUFTI MAHMOOD SUGGESTED THAT CLASH INVOLVED OPPOSITION PARTY ELEMENTS. ALTHOUGH VIOLENCE INVOLVING OPPOSITION MAY WELL OCCUR DURING ELECTION PERIOD, NAWA-I-WAQT ACCOUNT SEEMS PLAUSIBLE TO US IN ABSENCE OF ANY OTHER INFORMATION ASIDE FROM INNOCUOUS

GOVERNMENT ACCOUNT. AS POLITICAL OFFICERS WHO VISITED CITY
LAST MONTH CAN ATTEST, FACTIONAL FEELING WITHIN PPP RUNS STRONG,
AND POTENTIAL EXISTS THERE (AND ELSEWHERE) FOR CLASHES
BETWEEN RIVAL FACTIONS DURING WEEK WHICH WILL CULMINATE WITH
AWARD OF PARTY TICKETS. IN CONNECTION WITH VOA ACCOUNT, IT
SHOULD BE NOTED THAT MUFTI MAHMOOD HIMSELF WAS IN LAHORE
JANUARY 9, CONFERRING WITH LEADERS ON STILL NOT FINALLY DEFINED
OPPOSITION STRATEGY FOR ELECTIONS.

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